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## THE PRESIDENT'S DAILY BRIEF



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1. Rhodesia

The Smith government made its threatened unilateral declaration of independence this morning.

Wilson reacted immediately. He told parliament that the declaration was an act of rebellion and any action to carry it out will be considered treasonable. The British [redacted]

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[redacted] are [redacted] putting into effect a long list of economic and political sanctions and have called for a UN Security Council meeting.

One of the countries most immediately affected will be Zambia. Its foreign minister yesterday predicted that his country's policy would be to hold the British feet to the fire. Like many other Africans, the Zambians feel that the British should respond militarily.

There will, of course, be a loud clamor for this and for support of a Rhodesian nationalist liberation effort.

Zambia holds the key to any such liberation effort, but, since its economic lifeline runs through Rhodesia, Zambian cooperation in this and in economic sanctions will be less than wholehearted.

Smith has been trying to develop closer ties with his white-dominated neighbors. They will react warily to the declaration but will probably do what they can to keep the white Rhodesians afloat.

We estimate that, over the next several years, neither sanctions nor liberation movements will dislodge white rule in Rhodesia. This will frustrate the black Africans and create openings for the Communists.

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## 2. Indonesia

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There are several more reports that Sukarno, having thrown down the gauntlet to the generals, is about to move to more secure surroundings in Bogor or central Java and await the army's next move.

He doubtless hopes that the Indonesian penchant for caution and a reluctance all around to shatter the Sukarno image will in time blunt the army drive.

## 3. North Vietnam

Hanoi received today what amounts to a sharp admonition from Peking against reliance on Moscow. The warning, in the form of a bitter polemical blast at the Soviet leadership in two leading Chinese newspapers, warned against alleged Soviet efforts to promote a negotiated settlement of the war.

Soviet aid, according to the Chinese, is designed only to keep the situation in Vietnam "under their control" with the object of "striking a bargain with the US."

The Chinese editorials demand, in effect, that Hanoi follow Peking's lead. They evidently reflect Chinese anger over Hanoi's apparent effort to take a middle position in the Sino-Soviet dispute.

## 4. Communist China

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## 5. East Germany

It is now clear that the 31 October riots in Leipzig were the most serious in many years. East German police made liberal use of water cannon, dogs and night sticks to subdue crowds of disorderly youths demonstrating in favor of "freedom of music, hair style and opinion".

There were no discernible political motives behind the disturbances, but they have doubtless brought to an end the regime's efforts to deal with a rising tide of "beatnikism" among East German youth in a permissive manner. The regime has clamped down hard and there has been no repetition in Leipzig or anywhere else.

## 6. Dominican Republic

The country seems placid enough. Arms collection teams continue their cursory and desultory activity.

A student march on the palace is planned for today, and this could ruffle the surface if the student advocates of a little accompanying violence have their way.

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intended to be tough on military reintegration and would not permit the rebels to rejoin the military and police at their inflated constitutionalist ranks.

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## 7. Congo

The situation is disintegrating again.

In Leopoldville the Tshombe-Kasavubu feud goes on and will probably lead to the fall of the Kimba government next week. This could stimulate Kasavubu to try to rule by presidential decree until next spring's election, which would further sharpen the cleavage between the two leaders.

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